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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the invention entitled:

"METHOD FOR THE ALKYLATION OF SALICYLIC ACID"

which is described and claimed in the patent specification which

() is attached hereto,

(X) was filed on 10/21/2003 and accorded serial number 10/691,390, and for which
invention Letters Patent are sought.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified
specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this
application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Sec. 1.56(a).

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, Sec. 119 of any
foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any
foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application
on which priority is claimed:

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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, Sec.120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, Sec.112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code Federal Regulation Sec.1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

| PRIOR U.S. APPLICATIONS OR PCT INTERNATIONAL APPLICATIONS DESIGNATING THE U.S. FOR BENEFIT UNDER 35 U.S.C. 120 | | | | | |
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I hereby appoint the following attorney's and/or agent(s) to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith: Kenneth D. Tremain - Reg. No. 20,518; and Daniel Reitenbach - Reg. No. 30,970 and Michael P. Dilworth - Reg. No. 37,311.


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